

THESDAY EVENING, DEC. 12, 1905.

THE penalty imposed upon Midshipman Meriwether for his connection with the death of Midshipman Branch, is, as will be seen in another column, that he shall be confined to the limits of the naval scademy for a year and be publicly reprimanded by the Secretary of the Navy. Under the circumstances this is hardly just, as Meriwether was acting under the rules of the "code" of the academy, which seem to be more rigidly enforced than are the government regulations. No one believes that Meriwether wished, or intended to, either kill or seriously injure Branch; that death was only the result of this "code." The men who should receive condign punishment are the officers at the scademy who permitted such a state of affairs to exist there.

IT was stated in the Gazette's Washington correspondence one day last week that Prof. Roberts, of the University of Denver, Colorado, who returned recently from an extended trip in Europe, where he went to study the question of muncoal ownership of public utilities, had expressed to President Roosevelt the opinion that public ownership of public utilities was a failure in Europe, and predicted that in a few years it would have few supporters even in Great Britain, closed doors on motion of Senator where it has been popular. The observatious of Prof. Roberts are those of most sensible men who have well looked into the subject of public ownership the subject would be seldom heard of. Still these people would insist upon such ownership in this country.

MR. WILLIAMS, the democratic leader in the House, is a disciplinarian and, from the position he holds, should be. Therefore he displaced Messrs. Lamar and Shackelford from the interstate and foreign committee because they last year voted against the action of the democratic caucus on a measure in which they were interested. In this he was perfeetly right. A party, like an army, must have a head and with more than one, each would go to smash. The trouble with most of the democratic congressmen is their belief that they all are leaders; but they are not and this fact shoul i be emphasized.

A PROPOSITION looking to the abolshment of the mail franking privilege accorded to the Executive Department and members of Congress, with a view to wiping out the deficit of the Postoffice Department, is advanced by Postmaster General Cortelyou in his annual report. The deficit for the fiscal year 1905, as heretofore stated, is \$14,572,584. Mr. Cortelyou will have much difficulty in Petersburg during the recent turbuinducing Congress to relinquish this or any other privilege. The average Conressmen now wants all that is comin to him, and always a little more.

THE real meaning of the recent visits made by Admiral Togo and the Emperor of Japan to worship at the Temple of Ise, as now interpreted in the Tokio correspondence of the London Times, is that the governing classes of Japan have again given their official indorsement to the ancient Shinto belief, or aucestor worship. The Emperor went to report the termination of the war with Russia to his first imperial ancestor. The temple at Isle is to the Japanese much what Mecca is to the Mohamme-

PRESIDENT HAVES, of the Galen National Bank of Ohio, which failed, and Edward Slickinger, president of a wheel manufacturing company, were on Saturday sentenced to seven and a half years each in the penitentiary. Next to hanging this is the best way to treat bank wreckers.

From Washington.

[Correspondence of the Alexandria Gazette,]

Washington, D. C., Dec. 12. One of the most sensational episodes that the diplomatic society of the pational capital has furnished in years is uncarthed in the shanghaiing of the nineteen-year-old Alphonzo Zelaya, the handsome son of the President of the Nicaraguan Republic, A representative of Don Louis Corea, Nicaraguan Minister to Washington, with the assistance of two city detectives Friday night last captured the boy while he was calling upon his sweetheart, a Miss Baker who lives in an exclusive boarding house in K street. Young Zelaya, the son of a an American girl, who likewise was desperately in love with him. The boy, after spending three years at West Point resigned in order to be near his lady love The course of true love ran smoothly until the opposition of the boy's father called into play the international machinery of diplomscy, the assistance of the State Department here, and the instrumentalities of the local police. Then followed practically an abduction, the imprisonment of Zelaya and his special conduct from this country. Young Zelaya is now en route to Nicaragua. The abduction itself was accomplished in proper style. Zelaya and his sweet

farewell. Don Louis Cores, the Niceraguan minister, is young Zelaya's guardian in this country. He in fact ter of a local physician and is 18 years She is prostrated over the affair of age. She is prostrated over the affair and this morning declined to be interviewed. Her marriage to young Zelaya was to have taken place tomorrow night. Sarah Bernhardt has just taken out hundred-thousand dollar accident insur-ance policy with one of the big American companies. The president of the insurance company, who is visiting friends at the capital, made the announcement today and added that the corporation thought as little of the risk that \$90,000 of the \$100,000 had been immediately "farmed out" to foreign in-

surance companies. this morning that he did not contemplate taking any action toward the further relief of the money market this week, certainly not within the next two

The State Department today received official announcement of the resumption of diplomatic relations between Vene zuela and Colombia. The differences between the two republics were arranged by an agreement reached at Caracas.

Representative J. Adam Bede, of Minnesota, accompanied by several militia officers from his State called at the White House this afternoon to ask the President to change the designation of the naval yacht Fern to that of of the naval yacht Gopher, in honor of Minnesota's nick-The President said he would be glad to make the recommendation to the Secretary of the Navy. The Fern is the boat given the Minnesota militia by the Navy Department.

The Senate committee on appropriations proposes to scrutinize the expenditures, past and prospective of Panama canal commission very carefully before recommending the passage of the pending \$11,000,000 emergency bill. Secretary Taft and Commissioner Shonts of the Panama canal commission

were before the committee this morning. The Santo Domingo treaty, which was sent to the Senate last session but which then failed of ratification through the opposition of democratic Senators was called up in the Senate today behind to the committee on foreign relations.

Representative Sulzer, of New York, while at the White House today, declared that he would offer a resolution in and but for demagogic political agitators the House this week, calling upon Secretary of the Treasury Shaw to explain why he withdrew the money from the banks and thus caused a shortage in the New York money markets.

the President that he was preparing to introduce two resolutions bearing on the case of Marcus Braun the U. S. immigrant inspector who was recently arrest ed in Hungary and subjected to numer ous indignities before released.

Andrew Carnegie was one of the President's callers at the White House this afternoon. "I merely came to pay my respect," said Mr. Carnegie.

The ways and means committee of the House today organiz d and tomorrow will launch into a study of the Philippine tariff, for purpose of reduction Daily hearings will be had, beginning morrow, for the remainder of the week Sugar men will be the first witness? The t-bacco interests will be given an inning later on. General Wright, the governor general, and Mr. Welborn, the secretary of agriculture of the Philippines, will also be heard. The commerce committee also organized and considered several minor matters, ignoring for the present railway rate matters.

For the first time in a considerable period the State Department today re ceived a message from Spencer Eddy who has been charge d'affaires o the American Embassy at lent days at the Russian capitol. The dispatch was undated and stated that telegraphic communication with the far Fast and points in the vicinity of of Liga "flowing with blood," St. Petersburg and Moscow had been resumed.

sumed.

Through the medium of two California congressmen, Kahn and Hayes who called at the White House to talk Chinese exclusion, President Roosevelt sends a message to the Pacific Coast people that he desires to make it clear that he is just as much opposed to the admission of Chinese coolles as he ever was, but that he believes that the exempt class is of Chinese should be given a "source deal." of Chinese should be given a "square deal."

If it be shown, however, that the exempt classes upon coming into this country, he declared, turn laborers, then he will favor the taking away of the open door privelege so far as it concerns them

as it concerns them

Some apprehension is felt at the Navy Department over the failure of the gunboa Wasp to return to Newport, whence she still at Sunday morning to succor a disable brig reported in troub'e 25 miles off shore.

Fifty-ninth Congress.

SENATE. A claim of for \$10,000,000 damage from the United States government was laid before the Senate today. The clai-mant is ex-Queen Lilioukalani of the Hawaian Islands. See claims to be a legalized subject of the United States Her grievances is based upon the bodily, and mental sufferings and loss of pro-perty, due to the revolution of thirteen years ago, which she charges was headed and aided by United States Minister Stevens. In an autograph letter to the Vice President, setting forth that she doos not appear by attorney because of her poverty she concludes a pathetic ap-peal as follows: "I pray you therefore, and implore the providence of God to aid and guide you in the consideration of my petition and claim.

The papers were referred to the com

mittee on claims. A strange coincidence in connection with the claim is that a relief measure for the ex-Queen was unsuccessfully managed in the last Congress by the

late Senator Mitchell, of Oregon.

At the conclusion of routine business wealthy and powerful Latin American at 12:35 o'clock, the galleries were or-statesman, fell desperately in love with dered cleared, and the doors closed for the consideration of executive business. At 12:20 the Senate adjourned.

> HOUSE. The House was not in session today, having adjourned yesterday until Wed-

The Porte Yields, Constantinople, Dec. 12.—The Porte has replied to the collective note of the

Ambassadors delivered Friday, in reference to the demand concerning Mace donia, accepting the terms. The incideni is now closed.

COURT OF APPEALS.

Sands, trustee, &c., vs. Stagg and heart were together, when the former others; argued and continued.

was taken from her side. Miss Baket wept bitterly after bidding her lover and 17 on argument docket. News of the Day.

Paul Maurice, who was a collaborator was the power behind the scenes in the entire affair. Miss Baker is the daugh- friend of Victor Hugo, died in Paris yesterday.

Charles A Peabody, the lawyer, fi-nancier and railroad director, will be made president of the Mutual Life Insurance Company. France has refused to withdraw her

note to Venezuela protesting against Castro's treatment of M. Taigny, the French diplomatic representative. Prince Min, the Korean minister, had

and told him a pathetic story of the Japnese officials' treatment of Korea. Representative Landis (Ind) yesterlay introduced a bill, under the terms Secretary of the Treasury Shaw said of which it will be possible to obtain insurance companies full from life

statements of their business operations. Benjamin G. Stonestreet, former clerk of the Circuit Court for Charles county, Maryland, and one of the most promi nent citizens of Charles county, died at his late residence, La Platte, Sunday night, of apoplexy, in the seventy-fourth man, who w year of his age.

The Armstrong committee in York yesterday was informed that Thos. F. Ryan probably will answer the quest to Pittsburg for burial. tions to which he refused to reply week, District Attorney Jerome having given an opinion that he should do so and his counsel having advised him to comply.

What seemed to be a very serious matter between Germany and Brazil Saturday is, recording to developments of today, in a fair way of being cleared op. It was said at the German Embassy today that applicay and reportation will Panther at Itajahy.

At Shamokin, Pa., today President Mitchell set at rest rumors of President Roosevelt's mediation between anthracite operators and miners to guide them to an agreement. Mr. Mitchell said: The President has not mentioned the anthracite coal situation to me nor have I to him since I was called to Washingon during the strike of 1902."

Miss Olivia Floyd died at her home closed doors on motion of Senator Rose Hill, Charles county, Md., on Lodge. He asked for its reference back last Friday night, in the eightieth year of her age. She was noted during the civil war for her services to the lost cause, having carried many secret messages across the lines on horseback and often hid in her large old dwelling oldiers of the southern army.

Mr. Tillman yesterday introduced his railroad-rate bill to explain it to the Senate. It amends the act to regulate Congressman Sulzer of New York callinterstate commerce by giving to the ed at the White House today to inform Interstate Commerce Commission the power to fix "a maximum reasonable when it is determined that an existing rate is unjust or unreasonable, and the rate so fixed shall be the only rate charged. Senators Foraker the right of a commission to regulate railroad rates. Senator Foraker declared his intention to oppose rate control.

Trouble is threatened on the Turko Persian frontier, at the vilayet of Mosul and in the neighborhood of Bayazid on the frontier. Those points have never been exactly delimited. Five thousand armed Prsians are now gathered in the district of Sujbulak, southward of Lake Urumiah, and they threaten to invade and take possession of a strip of territory in the vilayet of Mosul claimed by Turkey. Two battalions of Ottoman with his apostolic office gravely and troops with three guns, have been dispatched to repel the invasion, and the governor of Mosul is calling for more reenforcements. A similar situation exists and peace to shine forth at the proper on the frontier in the neighborhood of time

Affairs in Russin.

drawn by machine guns, and Livonia being in absolute anarchy.

The government, it is said, has abandoned the project for univerial suffrage. bishops It seems the telegraphers' strike is weakening in places, but the agitation for a general strike continues.

repression and Witte's ministry seems doomed. Witte has apparently yielded to court influences and decided against universal suffrage. Witte has been opindications that he is vielding to the adcrush the revolution.

Durnovo, Minister of the Interior, is prosecuting the workmen's leaders. General Dedulin prefect of St. Petersburg, has refused to carry out his orders and has resigned.

Anarchy in its worst form prevails in Livonia. Ruitroad strikers in Riga were moved down by machine guns and the streets run with blood.

Russian refugees arriving in New York say the present trouble is not racial persecution, but real revolution, led in many instances by police.

No Danger of Strike.

There is said to be no danger of a machinists' strike in the Washington cavy vard this winter, according to James O'Connell, president of the International Association of Machinists. Concerning the situation there, Mr. O'Connell said vesterday: "The skilled machinists in the Wash-

ington navy yard get a maximum wage of \$3.36 and a minimum of \$2.97 a day. These wages are the lowest paid by the government to skilled machinists in any department in the city. The navy yard machinists want a flat rate of \$4 a day for skilled men. They will apply to the wage board for these advances and if they are not successful they will appeal to the Secretary of the Navy.

Beware of Ointments for Catarrh that Contain Mercury,

as mercury will surely destroy the sense of smell and complet by derange the whole system when entering it through the mucous surfaces. Such articles should never be used except on prescriptions from reputable physicians, as the damage they will do is ten fold to the good you can possibly derive from them. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O., contains no mercury, and is taken internally, arting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. In buying Hall's Catarrh Cure be sure you get the genuine. It is taken internally and made in Toledo, Ohio, by F. J. Cheney & Co. Testimonials free.

Sold by all Druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation is mercary will surely destroy the se

Virginia News.

Matthias Miller, one of the oldest and best-known farmers of Frederick county, died at his home, at Opequon, yesterday ifternoon, aged eighty-two years.

Jessie Cobb, a young man living near Emporia, Va., was shot and killed yes-terday by D. E. Snow, aged 65, whose daughter, it is said, Cobb had slandered.

Mrs. Georgia Clayton Purcell, wife of J. Perry Purcell, a prominent farmer, died at her home in Frederick county yesterday, after a year's illness of con-sumption, aged 30 years. Mr. William Strother, a well-known

a conference with the President yesterday young farmer of King George county, died Saturday morning, after an illness of five weeks with typhoid fever. He is survived by his wite and two small children. Mr. Geo. E. Cole, a well-known citi-

zen, of Fredericksburg, died at his home on Saturday night, aged 45 years. He sighth article for the government of the survived by three children, one of whom is Mr. E. Dorsey Cole, jr., of good order and discipline. On the first

Leet S. Moore, a wealthy real estate man, who went to Richmond four |years ago and invested largely, died at the Retreat for the Sick yesterday, aged

L. K. Culbertson, indicted for crook-edness in the late Richmond city primaries, and who was the man most wanted on the charges of corruption heard during the three grand jury sessions following the primary, has been released from jail on bond of \$1,000.

Samuel T. Warriner, a laborer, last night stood on his doorstep in Richmond, and deliberately shot and killed his today that apology and reparation will brother-in-law, Leo Lee, just as the lat-probably be made for the seizure of ter was about to enter the house. Warbrother-in-law, Leo Lee, just as the lat-Steinoff by the officers and men of the riner was arrested and locked up. It was said that Lee had been ordered to leave the premises and not return. In spite of this he insisted upon coming to the rouse on all occasions and annoying the inmates.

New Cardinals

As was stated in the Gazette, the Pope yesterday held a secret consistory, which was the second of his pontificate, in which be created new cardinals and apparently showed a tendency to have better equilibrium between the foreign and Italian elements in the sacred col lege, as three of the four new cardinals are foreigners. The ceremony was performed with the

usual pomp. Nearly thirty cardinals were present. The pontiff appeared walking and preceded by, surrounded and followed by the gorgeous pontifical court. Then all withdrew except the nembers of the Sacred College, and the Pope read his allocation.

In it he said he wished he could give the cardinals pleasant and consoling news, but the conditions at the present time do not permit of consolation. Although, he continued, the Catholic and Knox disagreed with the Senate on faith is spreading more and more throubout the world, especially in dissident countries, on turning toward Catholic nations one feels sadness and fear lest the prediction of the scriptures is being verified, that the kingdom of the Lord will be removed to other people where it will produce good fruit.

Especial care and anxiety may be felt, concerning the anti-Catholic laws pass there egainst the laws of justice, the Pope said he would speak in accordance more fully at an opportune time. He exhorted the cardinals to prayer, recalling that the Lord will cause tranquility

The pontifiended with saying that he Fire destroyed the Neversink Planing Mill and damaged the Excelsior Brass Works at Reading, Pa., early this morning. Several hotses perished. Loss \$8,500.

In the Morning of the Morning to the first time a cardinal belonging to that part of the world. He then announced the world. He then announced the world whom the Judge Advocate at the close intends to honor the whole Latin- precedent." four new cardinals, among them, Mgr. J. A. De Arcoverde de Albuquerque

the popular impression the Pope did not create a fifth cardinal, but reserved the

Later the Pope appointed a number of

The Late Senator Mitchell.

Reaction and revolution confront each other in a death struggle. The government is entering upon the fatal path of the death of Senator Mitchell, of Oregon. For the first time in the history of the Senate absolutely no notice was taken to the scene. Some one in the crowd ed by emptying the julis of prisoners, in any official manner of the death of a fired rt the Sultan but the bullet was who attacked and stole from the Jews. posed to armed repression, but there are member of that body. It was believed deflected from his body by the coat of A man from the province of Kovno as that Senator Fulton, the colleague of vocates of it. It is again said the force the dead man, would announce the of 400,000 Cossacks is to be mobilized to death of Mr. Mitchell during the day. but had he done so the Senate, in ac-cordance with all former precedents, would have been compelled to adjourn at once as a mark of respect. The desk of the dead man was undraped. Indeed, during the day the Senators from time to time sat in his chair. It seemed that Railroad strikers in Riga were a general agreement had been reached to ignore in every way the death of Mr. Mitchell. In the House no reference was made to him. In that body the State of Oregon has no representative at all at present, for of its two members, one is, like the late Senator Mitchell,

> ward to an early trial. Mr. Burton, of Kausas, has followed the example of Mr. Mitchell in resignthe example of Mr. Mitchell in resigning from all committees. His appeal lightship went to the bottom, on Nanfrom the second conviction is now fore the Supreme Court of the United States. The secretary of the Senate yesterday took "judicial cognizance" of Mr, Mitchell's death by ordering his name stricken from the list of senators. passes out of public life a man who, for the past 30 years, had at one time or another been one of the foremost members of the United States Senate.

convicted by a federal court, and the other is under indictment looking for-

Must Be Quick,

Pains in the stomach and attacks of the colic come on so suddenly and are so extremely painful that immediate recessity of sending for a doctor in such negro out of the bushes where the child cases if a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholers and Diarrhoea Remedy is at hand. No doctor can prescribe a better night and several arrests were made, medicine. For sale by Gibson & Tim- but the men could not be identified. berman and W. F. Creighton & Co.

For Cracked Hands.

Kough skin and cracked hands are not only cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, but an occasional application will keep the skin soft and smooth. Best for Eczems, Cuts, Burns, Boils, etc. The genume DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve affords immediate relief in sit forms of Blind, Bleeding, Itching and Protrading Plics. Sold by W. F. Creighton & Co., 401 King street,

A Bad Scare.

Some day you will get a bad scare, when you feel a pain in your bowels, and fear appendicitis. Safely lies in Dr. King's New Life Pills, a sure cure for all bowel and stonach diseases, such as headache, billions, the witch Hazel Salve affords immediate relief in sit forms of Blind, Bleeding, Itching and Protrading Plics. Sold by W. F. Creighton & Co., 401 King street,

Today's Telegraphic New-

Meriwether Sentenced. Washington, D. C. Dec. 12.-The entence passed by the Secretary of the Navy on Midshipman Minor Meriwether charged with the killing of Midshipman Branch at the Naval Academy is as follows. "To be confined to the limits of the academy for a period of one year and to be publicly repremanded by the Secretary of the Navy. The sentence of the court martial was that Meriwether be publicly reprimanded by the Secretary of the Navy and be confined strictly to the limits of the

naval academy for one year. The Sec-retary modified the latter part of the sentence in so far as to permit the mid-shipman to go on the annual practice cruise, otherwise he will not be allowed outside of the academy grounds. There were three charges against Meriwether : Manslaughter, violation of the of these charges the court found "not

approves. Commenting on this, the Secretary, in his review of the case, says: "The autopsy disclosed certain facts which might justify a reasonable doubt whether the death was in fact due to blows inflicted by the accused, there being at least a possibility that it result-ed from a fill. The accused was undoubtedly entitled to the benefit of any reasonable doubt, and the record dis-closes a state of proof which, if it did not compel, at least justified an acquit-

guilty," of which finding the Secretary

tal of this charge."

The court found Meriwether guilty on the second and third charges, covered the engaging by Meriwether in a fist fight with Branch, "wilfully assaulting him," and calling him "a sneak and a coward." Reviewing this portion of the case, Secretary Bonaparte says: 'Although the accused had pleaded 'not guilty' to these charges, there was practically no dispute as to the facts, and the department has no hesitancy in approving the findings of the court. Consider-able evidence was offered tending to show that such fights had been of fre quent occurrence, and only very inadequate penalties and usually no penalties whatever had been inflicted upon the participants. This evidence seems to the department altogether immaterial as affecting the guilt or innocense of the There can be no such thing as a lawful custom to commit a crime. There was evidence to show that the accused was unfamiliar with the articles for the navy, but the department holds that he can claim no immunity on the

ground of ignorance. 'The department has no difficulty in holding that the sentence is amply justi-fied by the offense committed. There is, indeed, room for some doubt whether the punishment imposed might not have been justly made more severe. It is therefore ordered that the sentence be approved, but that so much of the penalty as might debar the accused from service on any practice ship attached to the academy be remitted."

The Secretary, in connection with his review of the case, goes at some length nto the question of challenges, approving the action of the court in declining to receive challenges except in the case of one officer against whom the defense he said, for the country heretofore called the eldest daughter of the church, but the charge of prejudice. As regards the the charge of prejudice. As regards the court's sustaining of the challenge against

Commander Staunton, he says:

'The Department would find some dificulty in approving the action of the court in this respect, if it were needful to pass upon the question. To hold that his merely casual expression of an opinion, founded upon a supposed state of facts, disqualified him as a member of the court might establish a dangerous

of the prosecution, made the charge that

Attempt to Kill Sultan.

Geneva, Switzerland, Dec. 12.-One of the chief officers of the Albanian body guards of Abdul Hamid, the Suitan of Turkey, has arrived here as a The Late Senator Mitchell.

Only the flag floating at half mast over the Senate Chamber yesterday told curred several nights ago in the palace between members of the body guard, from the city. owing to accusations of favoritism. Hearing the noise Abdul Hamid rushed mail which Abdul Hamid always wears. The Sultan at once returned to his rooms in the Emperor's proclamation of a conthreatening the punishment of all the fficers. The officer who has reached here says he fled immediately after the scene had been enacted. He does not know what became of the other men who were present during the affray.

Lightship Crew Rescued. New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 12.—The lighthouse steamer Azalea, one of the boats sent to the rescue of Captain Jorgensen and his crew of twelve men on the sinking relief lightship No. 58, after two o'clock this morning, with the lightship crew board. They were rescued yesterday afternoon after being in peril for two days and two nights, and were in an exhausted condition when taken on board the Azalea. A few minutes after tucket Shoals. When seen this morning shortly after his arrival Captain Jogensen vividly related the terrible experience on the sinking ship.

Assaulted by a Negro, York, Pa., Dec. 12.-Mary Ellen Vaughan, a ten-year-old child, while on her way to church last night was seized by a negro and dragged through one of the principal streets of the city to the old reservoir grounds and crimi-nally assaulted. She was accompanied Other boys followed, and chased the later appeared crying bitterly. Detectives and residents were searching all

Packers Facing Jury.

Chicago, Dec. 12.-For the first time n the four years that they have been under investigation by the government the packers indicted on charges of con spiracy to raise the price of meat today faced a jury. A venire of 50 men was summoned to appear this morning in Judge Humphreys court in the federal building. From this venire twelve men will be chosen to hear this preliminary issue. The packers, through their coun sel, allege they obtained immunity from prosecution by making full statements of their business to Commissioner of Corporations Garfield, while that official was investigating the meat packing business in Chicago last year. They de clare that Garfield promised this im-munity to all who testified before him and his agents. They also charge that evidence was seized without authority of law. The government attorneys deny that any such immunity was earned by the packers or promised them by any government official

Anxiety for Gunboat,

Newport, R. I., Dec. 12.-Up to nine o'clock this morning nothing had been heard of the gunboat Wasp, which started out Saturday night to render as sistance to the brig Harry Smith, which was in a bad position at the entrance of Vineyard sound Much anxiety for the Wasp's safety is felt by the officials at the torpedo and training stations. The Wasp is the converted yacht Columbia, which was bought by the government at the outtreak of the Spanish war. She carries a crew of 80 men.

The torpedo station at Newport, R. I., has just received word from the life saving station that one of the ynchts now in the service of the government, probably either the Hist or the Wasp, is approaching the harbor. The identity of the vessel will be known within an hour.

Proposal Rejected.

St. Petersburg, Dec. 11 (via Eydtkuh-neu, Dec. 12.)—The goovernment has rejected the proposal for the fornation of a constituent assembly to deal with the subject of giving the country universal

Annual Dinner.

The Virginia Democratic Association of Washington held its twenty-fifth annual dinner at the Riggs House, in that city, last night. There were about 120 members of the association present, and a few guests from other States. Speeches were made by Mr. J. T. Ellyson, Hon. H. T. Flood, Representative E. Y. Webb, of North Carolins; Capt John Lamb, of Virginia; Creed Fulton, of Washington, and State Senator L. H. Machen, of Virginia. Mr. R. E. Yel-Mr. Webb took occasion during the

course of his speech to refer to Gen. Robert E. Lee as the greatest man in peace, the greatest man in war and the noblest example of courage, veracity and gentleness. This sentiment was greeted with enthusiastic applause. Letters of regret were received from

several gentlemen invited to be present; among them was one from Repretenta-tive John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi; one from Senstor Martin, of Virginia, and another from the Hon. W. Bourke Cockran; also from Gov. Montague and Governor-elect Swanson, of

The fact of the association holding its banquet last night, December 11, had especial significance, being the twentyfifth birthday of the association.

Tales of Blood.

Five hundred Russian refugees, many of them eye witnesses of the massacres in Odessa and other Russian cities, disembarked in New York yesterday. Some of them told graphic and pititul stories of their experiences. Yesterday at Ellis Island declaring that they had been attacked irrespective of religion; that their assailants were led by police disguised in citizens' clothing, and that the massacre were not race persecution but rev-

olution. Oue man told what he saw of the The situation in the Baitic provinces of the Streets of A. Le Alcovette de Albuquelque be had privately received advice from a One man told what he saw of the Cavalicanti, Archbishop of Rio Janeiro.

The cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to medical expert as to certain portions of the cardinals asserted that contrary to the cardinals asserted that cont when two rival parades, met and began to fight. He told how little children vere thrown out of high windows, how Russian Christians patrolled the street in large tands protecting Jews, while other bands of men pillaged and murdered. Workmen and students, he said, led the peace parties, while disguised police us-ually led the hoodlums. After the first two days he and two companions escaped

Two refugees from Western Russia said that there the Jew killing was startserted that the police themselves read stitution an order to kill all Jews and cried this lie through the streets.

Discussed Panama Salaries.

The Senate yesterday discussed the reference of the canal emergency appropriation bill. Mr. Tillman characterzed the high salaries paid canal employees as "stealing and graft." Messrs. Hemenway, Hopkins, McCumber and Teller said there should be legislation fixing salaries for the canal employees. Nantucket Shoals, returned here shortly Mr. Teller said that by legislation Congress had authorized the President to appoint the officers and fix the salaries, and that it was the duty of Congress to pay them. After more than a score of Senators had discussed the Panama canal bill it was referred to the appropriation committee by a vote of 40 to 23,

DIED.

Monday, December 11, at 8 a. m., at the residence of her son-in-law, J. T. Watkins, ARAH E. BELL, widow of the late B. M. Bell. Funeral from her residence, 100 Queen street, tomorrow (Wednesday) at 2:30 p. m. [Washington papers please copy. THE FIRST NATIONAL BANK,

Alexandria, Va., Dec. 12, 1905.

The annual election of directors of this bank will be held at the banking house on TUESDAY, January 9, 1906, between the hours of twelve and one o'clock p. m.

C. R. HOOFF, President.

Alexandria, Va., December 5, 1905.

THE ANNUAL MERTING of the stock-holders of the ALEXANDRIA NATIONAL BANK of Alexandria, Virginia, will be held in the office of the said bank on TUESDAY, January 9th, between the hours of one and three o'clock, for the purpose of electing a board of directors, or any matters that may properly come before the stockholders, deel2 td T. C. SMITH, Cashier.

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